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BETWEEN YOU AND ME  
by Stanley Orris

We must get out and get the vote out.

V-V-V

It's a hard life. Recently we made a little effort to clean up some outstanding accounts. One of our subscribers came into the office a day or two later and stopped his paper. He was quite provoked that we had attempted to collect for his subscription on which he has paid nothing for six years. We were so surprised at his attitude that we could not think up a quick one to hurl back at him before he slammed the door of the office on his way out.

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Our feeling of surprise turned quickly to one of anger and we thought up all kinds of nasty and biting things we could have said to him, if we could have only thought of them in time. We stayed mad all afternoon.

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When we went home for supper we found our "severest critic" had anticipated our troubled mood and had prepared a favourite dish—pork chops on corn dressing, baked in the oven; a recipe of Blanche Urquhart. Well naturally after a couple of big helpings all was right with the world again. We decided we would sit down and write a letter to our disgruntled subscriber and explain everything to him in a nice way.

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Not wanting to throw good money after bad we decided we wouldn't mail the letter to him but would put it in this column. We realize he doesn't get the paper any more but we have a sneaking suspicion he reads it at the neighbors. Here goes.

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Dear Friend:

We are very, very sorry. We didn't mean to offend you. After all this bill was only six years old. Another five or ten years wouldn't have made much difference, would it? Maybe we could stall the grocer, the butcher, the landlord off for the next five years. They are good fellows, all of them, and we are sure they wouldn't mind. Maybe if we write a nice letter to Mr. Aberhart he would let us declare a moratorium on the taxes and license fees he asks us for every year. We are sure he won't mind because he knows all about debts, and moratoriums and interest rates, and what it is to have people clamoring for the money you owe them. Maybe the firms that sell us paper and ink will let us pay them every six years. They're big business firms and they don't need our little monthly contributions. So you see pal, it's probably not as bad as it seems. We really don't need the money—much.

On the other hand, pal, maybe we've got you all wrong. We only publish a paper; we're just a poor, ignorant printer, and as such don't know much about how farmers finance. Maybe the elevators only pay you every five or six years when you sell your grain to them. Maybe the packing houses let your account run for six or seven years when you sell them hogs or chickens.

So let's forget it all, pal. Let's not be mad at each other any longer. Hell, we don't really want the money; we just didn't want you to feel that you had any more privileges than the rest of our subscribers who come in the office and insist upon paying their subscription every year or every two years as the case may be.

So long pal. Maybe we can get a job with Mr. Aberhart and be set for life and not have the worry about money any more.

The Editor.

Frank Sissons has been losing weight this week. The ban on the other highway necessitated the re-routing of Greyhound buses to this line. Buses come at all hours of the day and night and Frank stays right on the job seeing that the passengers of his beloved Greyhound buses are serviced hot coffee and sandwiches, and extended the hospitality of Champion during their brief stay.

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See you next week.

## Neil G. McLeod Laid to Rest

Neil G. McLeod, one of the original homesteaders in the Champion district, passed away Thursday, April 9th, at Carmangay hospital after an illness of only two days. Mr. McLeod took ill on Tuesday and was taken to Carmangay hospital that evening.

At the time of his passing Mr. McLeod was seventy years of age. He was born in Kincardin, Ont. In 1891 he married Mary Ann Hedde of Ottawa. Mr. and Mrs. McLeod came to the district of Champion in 1905. At that time Stavely was the nearest rail point, and Mr. McLeod homesteaded 24 miles east of that town, pitching a tent on April 1st of that year on the ground which he was to farm for the remainder of his life.

The deceased is survived by his wife, two sons, T. G. McLeod of Hobema; D. R. McLeod of Calgary, and one daughter, Mrs. F. E. Boswell of Spokane, Wash. A brother, K. McLeod of Kincardin, Ont., also survives.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon from the Community Hall, Champion. Rev. Peter Dawson conducted the services. Pall-bearers were: A. Baker, A. Hopkins, J. McDougall, Wm. Ulrich and L. Groves. Interment was in Champion cemetery. Snodgrass Funeral Home of High River were in charge of arrangements.

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## Town and District

Mrs. D. D. Farmer is reported to be steadily improving in hospital in Lethbridge. Mr. Farmer has been confined to bed with a severe cold, this week.

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Mr. T. Christensen, superintendent of the U. G. G., was a visitor in town on Wednesday.

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Pete Patterson was a Lethbridge visitor on Tuesday.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Henderson were Gleichen visitors Sunday.

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Harry Higgins was a visitor in Lethbridge last Thursday.

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W. F. Henry, boiler inspector, is spending a few days in town inspecting boilers at the air field.

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Mrs. Alcock returned to Champion Saturday after spending some days visiting in Calgary.

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Monday saw teachers and students back to diligent work at school. School hours reverted to 9 a.m. to 3.30 p.m.

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George Minty, of the Army Postal Corps, at Ottawa, is spending a few days leave with his parents in Carmangay.

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Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Lindstedt have taken up residence in the Carlson home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Dawson left Monday for Warner, where Mr. Dawson has been transferred by the Canadian Bank of Commerce.

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Miss Isabel Clark was a week-end visitor to Lethbridge.

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Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Paris of Warner have taken up residence in Champion. Mr. Paris is employed by the Canadian Bank of Commerce. Mr. Paris is well known to many of the people in the district, having been employed with the bank here in 1930.

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### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks to all those who so willingly assisted us in so many ways during our recent sad bereavement, and also for the beautiful floral tributes. We express special thanks to the doctors and nurses of the Carmangay hospital. Mrs. L. Nugent and Family.

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The community are very sorry to lose Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Dawson to another district. They were a very popular young couple.

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Harold Odlund was home for the week-end from Currie Barracks.

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Canon Winter will hold service in the Community hall at 3 p.m. on the Sunday before St. George's Day, in connection with the Empire Youth Movement.

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One insertion is generally all that is needed to sell that machinery or other farm equipment you no longer need. Or if you want to buy something—the classified column is ready to serve you. No matter what it is you want to buy or sell—try a classified. The cost is small.

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### E. M. NUGENT LAID TO REST

Funeral services were held in the United church, Carmangay, on Sunday afternoon, April 12th, for the late Ernest Moore Nugent, who passed away in the Carmangay hospital on April 10th, following several months' illness. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. R. F. Harden, and interment took place in the Carmangay cemetery. Deceased was carried to his last resting place by R. Hood, R. Robertson, S. Collier, W. Hicks, J. Minty and G. Hardy.

Mr. Nugent was born on November 12th, 1878, in Belfast, Ireland, and came to Canada in 1904, taking up residence in Toronto. He was married to Miss Linda Thompson in 1908 and came west to Carmangay with his wife and two children in 1912, where he has resided almost continuously until the time of his death.

He leaves to mourn his loss his loving wife, and seven children, six daughters, Mrs. G. Norris, of Crossfield, Mrs. W. Epton of Calgary, Miss Kathleen, of Carmangay, Miss Ethel, of Vulcan and Emilie and Lorraine, of Carmangay; one son, Terence serving with the R.C.A.F. at Prince Albert, Sask.; two brothers, Herbert and Chester, in Belfast, Ireland, and one sister, Mrs. C. F. Williamson, of Richmond, Surrey, England.

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### THE WEATHER

The weather for the past week remained more or less the same—unpleasant. There were good winds blowing most of the time, with no rain to speak of—at least not enough to register on the indicator. Wednesday saw a slight flurry of snow.

Precipitation Chart Champion District (Courtesy Searle Grain Co.)

Longtime Av.	1941	1942
April 1	0	0
April 8	.28	0
April 15	.57	0

Fall moisture (subsoil reserve) for this district, as indicated by August, September and October precipitation, longtime average 5.13; for the year 5.06 or 99 percent of normal.

### CANDID COMMENT

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The most important day in the history of Canada dawns on the 27th of April. On that day it is the duty and privilege of every citizen to vote on the plebiscite. The results of the voting will tell whether Canada is to continue her rise to a power of importance in world affairs or whether she is to be a shackled, broken and disunited country.

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The victories of Hitler have been most successful over countries which have disunity within them. The betrayal of France by those who chose to place politics in the place of national honor will find a parallel in Canada should the plebiscite be defeated. The importance of voting can not be stressed too strongly. The assistance of all good citizens in helping to get the vote out is a national service rendered.

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To any who have decided that they will not exercise their right to vote, either through dislike of the idea of the plebiscite or with the thought that their vote will make no difference, we suggest they stop for about ten minutes and think of nothing else but what would happen if the plebiscite should be defeated. If they are honest with themselves and have ordinary common-sense they should become very alarmed and resolve to not only vote "yes" themselves, but to do everything possible to see that everyone else does the same.

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### BY THE WAY

Farmers of the Carmangay district have formed a union based on similar lines to the railroad unions. They hope to organize the farmers of their district and spread the movement to other districts. The object in view is to get a better deal for the farmer. Ken Miller is one of the leading lights in the movement.

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What has happened to the Salvage Collection Committee? Things don't seem to be popping so much as they did when first organized. Material is needed more than ever. Come on boys, let's go.

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### GET OUT AND VOTE!

### Notice Preparation of Assessment Roll 1942 Municipal District of Harmony No. 128

NOTICE is hereby given that the Assessment Roll of the said Municipal District, made for the purpose of the Alberta Assessment Commission, has been prepared and will, until April 30th, be open to inspection at the office of the Secretary-Treasurer of the Municipal District, from ten o'clock in the forenoon until four o'clock in the afternoon on every day not a public holiday, except Saturday, and on that day from ten o'clock in the forenoon until two o'clock in the afternoon, and that any person, who desires to object to the entry of his name, or that of any other person, upon the said roll, or to the assessment of any property, or to the assessed value placed upon any property, must before April 30th, after date of this notice, lodge his complaint in writing with the Secretary-Treasurer of the Municipal District. Dated at Champion this 15th day of April, 1942.

C. RHODES,  
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### STUBBLE BURNING

—“V”—

Researches by Ducks Unlimited (Canada) show that destruction of waterfowl nests by stubble burning in spring averages one nest to three acres in good duck breeding areas; to say nothing of the loss of nests of meadowlarks, prairie chicken, Hungarian partridge and other ground nesting birds.

This great destruction can be avoided if stubble burning is done before April 15, as few birds have started to nest by that date.

Early burning will prevent birds from nesting in stubble fields and thus save the nests from destruction by farm operations.

A countrywide effort through Ducks Unlimited's more than 2,000 Kee-men, the Western weekly newspapers and Western radio stations is underway during the next ten day to eliminate this great loss to wildlife.

All friends of wildlife are asked to co-operate.

More birds mean fewer insects and less crop loss—thus contributing also to the national war effort.

Men and wildlife can thrive together.

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## R.S. Law, President, U.G.G., Urges All Farmers to Work for Plebiscite Passing

Winnipeg, April 16th, 1942

Mr. R. S. Law, president of United Grain Growers Limited, has issued the following statement:

As president of a farmers' company, I welcome the opportunity to urge that every possible vote in Western Canada should be got out on April 27th so that the answer from the prairies to the plebiscite shall be a resounding “Yes.”

So far as Western farmers are concerned, there is no need to argue that every restriction must be removed that stands in the way of making the Canadian war effort as effective as it can possibly be made. There is no part of the country that has a greater realization than prevails on the prairies of what is at stake in the war or a greater determination that every ounce of this country's strength shall be employed in its prosecution. In every branch of the fighting services there are young men from prairie farms and such young men are to be found on every fighting front. Although such enlistments have created a shortage of farm labor, recent government announcements indicate that the supply of essential farm labor is to be protected under arrangements for selective service.

But there is a real danger that farmers of Western Canada may fail to make their opinions fully effective on April 27th, for polling day comes at a busy time of the year. It is not enough to be in favor of the answer “Yes” to the plebiscite; it is necessary to get out and register that opinion by a vote. It is necessary to remind members of the family, neighbors and friends to go to the polls and to see that no vote goes unpolled through carelessness or neglect or through lack of transportation.

For this plebiscite there will not be the usual campaign machinery to get out the vote and we shall all have to take our part in replacing that organization.

Western farm organizations, such as our company, have had much to say recently about the national importance of Western Canada, about the determination of Western farmers to play their full part in the national effort and about what has to be done to make that possible. Now it becomes a duty of such an organization to remind its members of the national task that is to be performed on polling day. On that day, a question is being put to the people of Canada and we must see to it that the answer given from the prairies is clear and strong.

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It may be taken for granted that the majority of Western Farmers intend to vote "yes" in the Plebiscite on April 27th. They are determined to make the National War Effort fully effective; they realize that voting is a National duty.

But the response of the West will be fully satisfactory only if every possible vote is polled. Get your own vote in and see that every qualified member of your Household also votes. Remind your friends of the vote and help neighbours get to the polls. Join in your community organization to get out the vote.

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It seems that the tendency is to look upon the actions of the higher-ups in regard to the plebiscite merely as reflections of the desires of the general public. This is faithfully in accord with the concept by the man in the street of leadership or statesmanship which has been general in

the English-speaking pre-war democratic world. In pre-war Britain, various Prime Ministers, notably Lord Baldwin, used to contend that fear of the results at the polls restrained the government. In pre-war United States, various Presidents, including President Franklin D. Roosevelt, always were careful to keep in step with the masses in order to maintain popular support. In Canada, it has been the same story with the men at the helm of the ship of state.

The statesmanship has implied steersmanship of the ship of state where consultation of the passengers was not unknown, though there have been frequent allegations that this spelled the negation of representative government because the men at the helm were supposed to do the steering according to the course which only they could decide at critical times in view of their responsibility to the people. It has been charged that in critical times the leaders whom the people of Canada elect to high office must assume authority as well as be accountable to the people who should be held no more coresponsible with officialdom of the ship of state than the passengers on a ship can be for the decisions of the captain and other officers.

What are the facts in the case of the plebiscite?

Premier Mackenzie King has declared definitely in Parliament that his colleagues of the Cabinet and himself intend to ask the people to vote "yes" in the plebiscite. This means that the government has adopted a simple and direct attitude in this issue, because the government does not desire to engage in the struggle with the hands tied in so far as using compulsory methods for raising sufficient men for overseas service is concerned, if this is necessary.

Under the circumstances, it is apparent now to the man-in-the-street throughout Canada what is the present serious war situation and what are the grave obligations of the government to the people of Canada and her allies. It can be noted that in the other English-speaking democracy of this hemisphere, our great neighbors and war partners in the United States, there is considerable difficulty to understand why Canada has not yet done, after two and a half years of war, what the United States did on the first day that their nation entered officially into the struggle. It is quite true that United States entered the war officially only when their territory in Pearl Harbor had been attacked by Japan, while Canada decided to enter the war from the day that Germany started the attack on Poland without waiting for the time when Canadian territory would be attacked.

But anyone who believes that the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor involved only the United States and not Canada, is under an absolutely false impression. Canada is an integral part of the North American continent and the borders between this country and the United States have no meaning under the present conditions of the



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war. Vancouver and Victoria are in direct line with San Francisco and Los Angeles and Halifax, St. John, Quebec and Montreal are in a similar position with New York, Boston, Portland and Philadelphia. The fate of Canada is now so closely related to the fate of the United States that every loss which United States suffers in any part of the Atlantic or the Pacific is a step closer to a possible attack on our own shores.


Still there are a great many people in Canada who claim that our armed forces should be concentrated mainly in this country so that this nation can be prepared against any possible attack on her shores. They point out the case of Australia which sent her armed forces to various battlefronts of the Empire and now the enemy is attacking on her own shores, with the result that Australia must appeal for help from other nations. But the case of Australia indicates something else. It discloses that, since Australia has strong allies or partners who have come to her timely assistance, the enemy will en-

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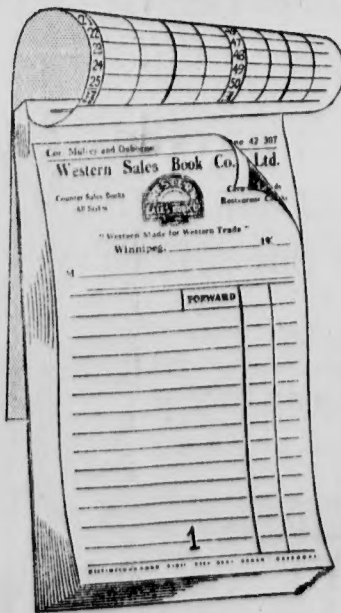
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counter such strong resistance on her shores that she would never have been able to offer alone, even if she had not sent a single soldier or gun to help the Empire in Libya, Greece or other fronts. Without the active help of these powerful allies or partners, Australia would now be in a desperate position with Japan at her door, even if she had retained on her soil every soldier and gun for the last two and a half years of this war.

Canada is in a somewhat similar position now. Without the active co-operation or help of Britain and United States, Canada might find herself in a possibly doubtful situation in the event of a direct attack, but this country can probably avoid such consequences through her complete co-operation and partnership, including all her human and material resources, in the common undertaking of all the allies who aim to strike the enemy wherever or whenever that may be, doing the utmost to prevent the enemy from even reaching the stage of any possible direct attack on the New World.

Obviously, every move indicates that this is the strategy in Washington and London. It follows that the leaders in Ottawa, whom the people of Canada have elected to high office in this war, are inclining gradually to this same strategy more and more, merely seeking the proper authority to do by means of the plebiscite. It is nothing more or less. It is not a resignation of war leadership. It is not a sign of totalitarian war leadership. It is not a novel concept of war leadership. The plebiscite is a simple, direct and common-sense process by which the men at the helm of the ship of state desire to receive unquestionable and popular support of an advocated policy in order to do the steering according to the course which they can see is the only right course for all the allies or partners in this struggle.

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